

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application, as amended, and consideration of the following remarks. Claims 1, 9, 10, and 18 have been amended. Claim 7 has been canceled. Claims 1-20 remain pending. Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8-14 and 16-18 stand rejected as being anticipated under 35 U.S.C. 102(b). Claim 4 stands rejected as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). In view of the amendments made to claims 1, 9, 10, and 18, Applicant contends the 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and the 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejections have been overcome. Claims 7, 14-16 and 18 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 19 and 20 are allowed.

Amendments

Amendments to the Claims

Applicant has amended the claims to more particularly point out what Applicant regards as the invention. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 19 and 20 contain allowable subject matter.

Applicant further thanks the Examiner for indicating that Claims 7, 14-16 and 18 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The former claim 7 depended from claim 1. Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 7 and therefore Applicant contends that claim 1 and claims 2-6 and 8, which depend therefrom are patentable of the cited prior art for at least the same reasons as stated by the Examiner.

Claim 9 has been amended to include the limitation of “the storage cell having an input and an output, the second reset device having an output coupled to the

storage cell output, and the storage cell input coupled to an input transistor". Applicant therefore contends that claim 9 is patentable over the cited prior art for at least the same reasons as stated by the Examiner. Claims 10-18 depend from claim 9 and Applicant contends claims 10-18 are patentable over the cited prior art for at least the same reasons as stated for claim 9.

Applicant therefore respectfully submits that claims 1-6 and 8-20 are now in condition for allowance, and request allowance of said claims.

SUMMARY

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact George B. Leavell at (408) 749-6900, ext 6923.

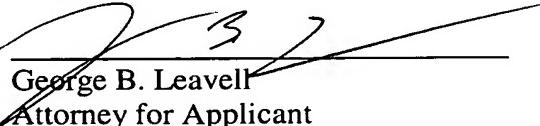
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Ref# SUNMP314) for any charges that may be due or credit our account for any overpayment. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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